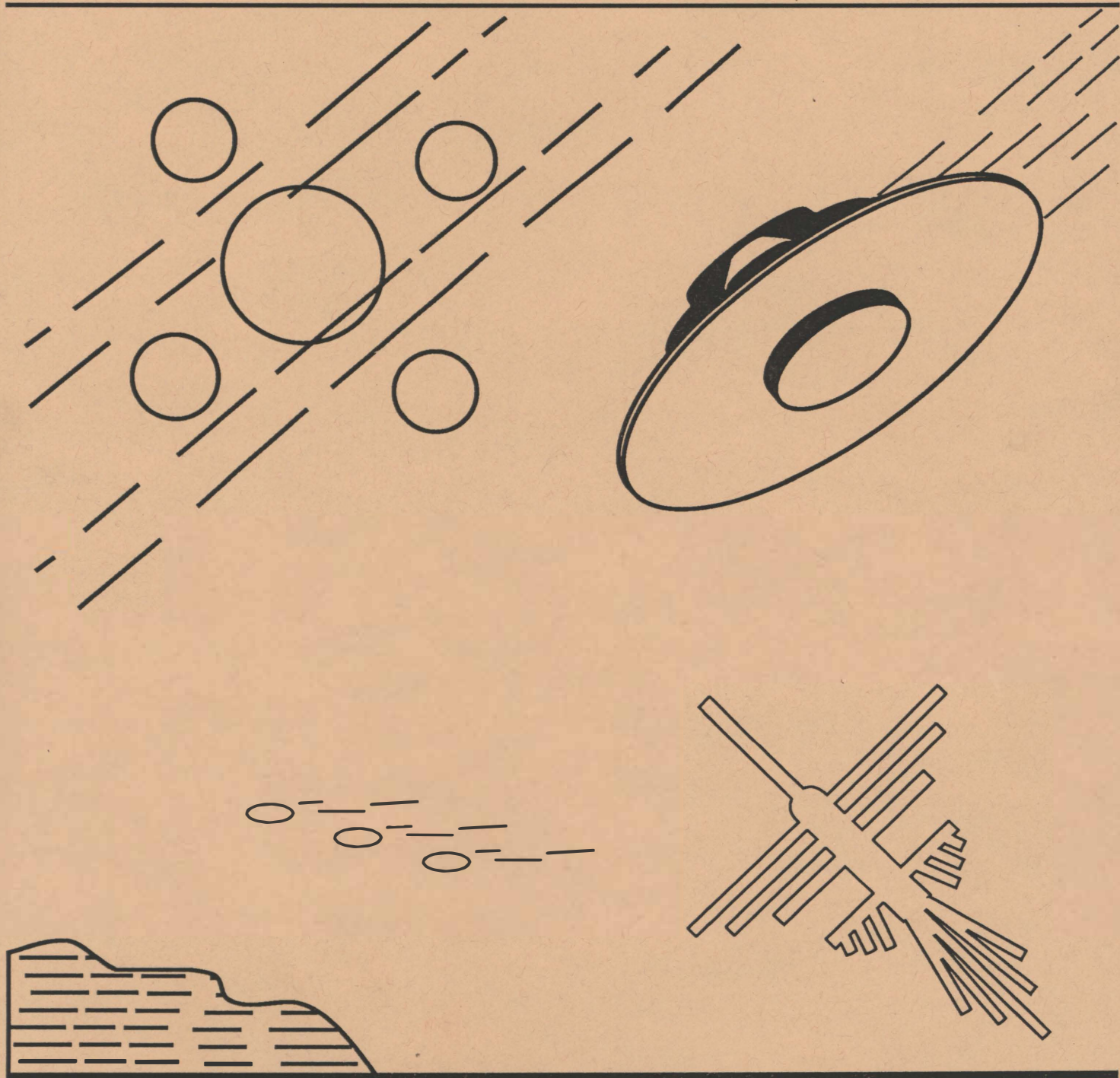

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"FLYING TRIANGLES" JUST WON'T GO AWAY!

At the risk of making this newsletter repetative, let me say once again that the area in and around Derby continues to be subjected to low flying F.T. activity.

What the "Flying Triangles" are, we really don't know, but there is every indication that they are alien controlled and may be controlled by the "Grays" species of alien,

VISITOR FROM 'POMPEY'

We were pleased to welcome Darren Collins of the Hants. Southern Paranormal Investigations Group, based near Portsmouth when he visited Derby on Sat.29th of April.

Darren visited the home of Peter Edwards, where he is seen here chatting to Allen Hitchcock about recent UFO incidents.

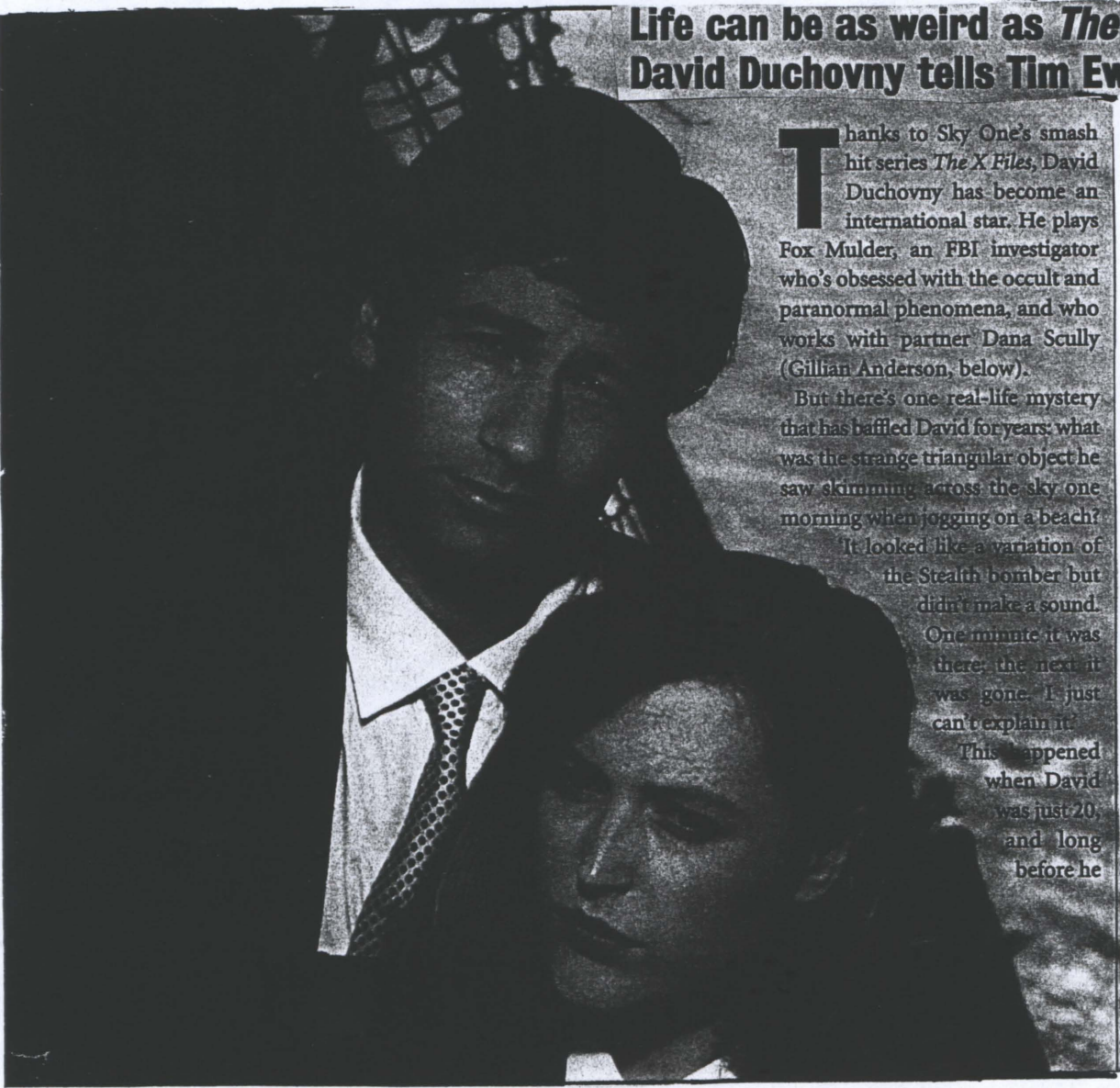
Darren accompanied PRA members when they visited Miss Enid Fynes-Williams at her home in Derby, where she had seen one of the "Flying Triangles" that has 'invaded' the area in recent weeks.

At the time of the interview with Miss Fynes-Williams, Darren had no idea that within 48 hours he would encounter a "Flying Triangle" on a lonely country road in Derbyshire and be equally "dumfounded"! (see page 7).



"The X FILES" STAR SPOTTED A FLYING TRIANGLE!

Life can be as weird as *The X Files*, David Duchovny tells Tim Ewbank



Thanks to Sky One's smash hit series *The X Files*, David Duchovny has become an international star. He plays Fox Mulder, an FBI investigator who's obsessed with the occult and paranormal phenomena, and who works with partner Dana Scully (Gillian Anderson, below).

But there's one real-life mystery that has baffled David for years: what was the strange triangular object he saw skimming across the sky one morning when jogging on a beach?

It looked like a variation of the Stealth bomber but didn't make a sound. One minute it was there; the next it was gone. I just can't explain it.

This happened when David was just 20, and long before he

Story and picture from SKY TV's April magazine.

David Duchovny, star of the top Sci-Fi series "The X Files" is not alone in being mystified by the sudden appearance and disappearance of a Flying Triangle. Witnesses throughout the world have been bewildered by this phenomenon ever since they first started appearing in the mid 80's.

Although large UFO's had been seen prior to this period, we do not believe that they were the same type of craft and were more likely to have been a type of cigar-shaped "mothership" for the smaller "flying saucers".

In one instance, a witness at Bracknell, Berks. watched a cigar shaped craft at high altitude, through binoculars and stated that he clearly saw small discs entering and leaving the huge craft. (The witness was an airline pilot at home and off duty).

AN EARLY MORNING ENCOUNTER

It was 5.30am on the 16th March 1995 when Peter H.Hickie and his brother were driving along the A52 near Willington, South Derbyshire. The pair were returning from a holiday in Eire and had landed at Holyhead a few hours previously. Peter, who is retired, continues the story....

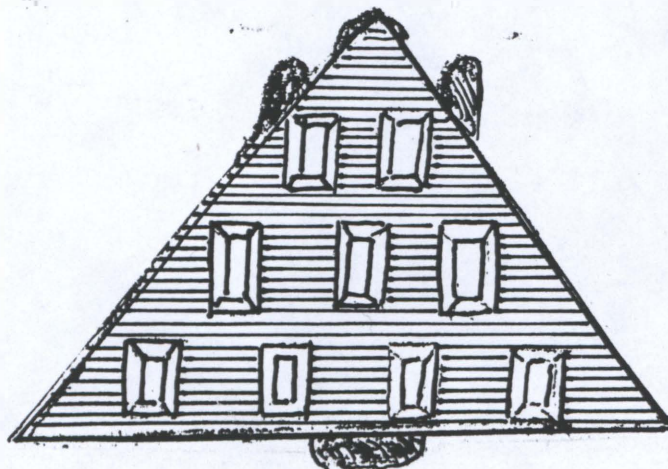
We were on our way from Willington to Swarkstone and we had just negotiated a tight bend in the road when we saw a very large, triangular object coming directly towards us. I said to my brother "what on earth is that?"

I noticed that it had approximately nine large three dimensional light panels, like blocks of white light underneath the aircraft. They were very bright and made it difficult to distinguish the exact outline once it was overhead, but it appeared to be a type of delta wing.

We stopped the car and got out for several minutes. We saw that the aircraft was travelling very, slowly and we couldn't make out why it didn't "stall" (drop out of the sky because of insufficient airflow over the wing/lift surfaces). We heard a sound like jet engines and we could only think that it was a special type of aircraft used for night surveying of some sort. However it was so cold that we both got back into the car and watched it until it went out of sight behind some trees heading towards Swarkstone.

I then saw an aircraft with ordinary landing lights on going towards the East Midlands Airport, but there could have been two aircraft in the vicinity? We couldn't understand why, if this was a military aircraft, it had such a large block of lights underneath, it was most wierd....

Editors Note: The Craft was travelling from East to West and carried no coloured navigation lights or strobe lights. The brothers arrived at Castle Donington at 0550 which was the normal time for the route taken (i.e. no time loss noted).



"THE TRIANGLE, WE'VE SEEN IT THAT MANY TIMES!"

Ivy Fitzmorris & Mr R.White, Sinfin Moor, Derby.
(in an interview with Omar Fowler)

Ivy: "I've seen it that many times I do know what I've seen. It's triangular shape with bright lights all the way around. We've seen it at 1am, 3.30am, 5am and just hovering high in the sky. It's been hovering up there for an hour, to my knowledge."

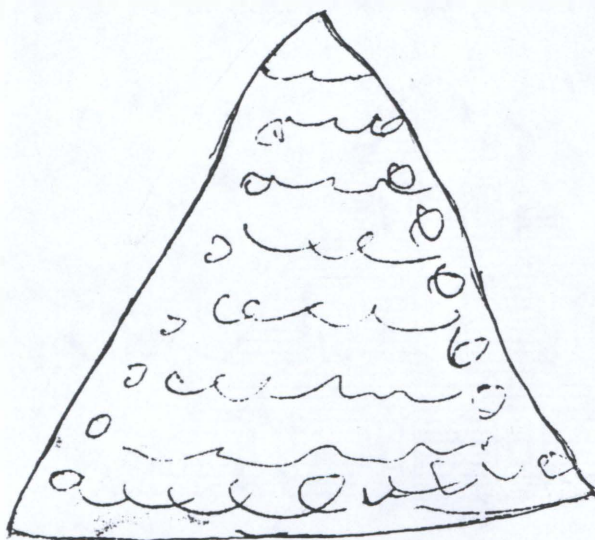
"The first time we saw it was on the 17th March this year (95), about 8pm. You could see it very clearly, it was very low and slowly moving right over the rooftops, I couldn't believe it, I was flabbergasted. It was massive, bigger than a plane, we weren't frightened just fascinated."

Mr White: "I saw it this morning (21/4/95) about 1am, it was in one position and then it moved a little over this way. It stopped there for quite some time and then it slowly moved off, it made no sound and was gliding. The lights were coloured, I saw red and white but they were not flashing and the lights were round."

Ivy: "If a plane had been that low you would have heard the engines. It definitely wasn't a plane, we have enough planes going over here on their way to the East Midlands Airport, I know what a plane looks like!"

These amazing comments weremade: by two witnesses who live at Sinfin-Moor, Derby. They have seen the "Flying Triangle" so many times that "they thought they should tell somebody." Their description of the FT matches other descriptions of the craft and once again refers to the "huge" size, the extensive lights and the low noise emission (it mad a "purring" noise).

By pure coincidence your editor is moving to the Sinfin area of Derby on May 12th. Please make a note of the address change.



Sketch by Ivy Fitzmorris

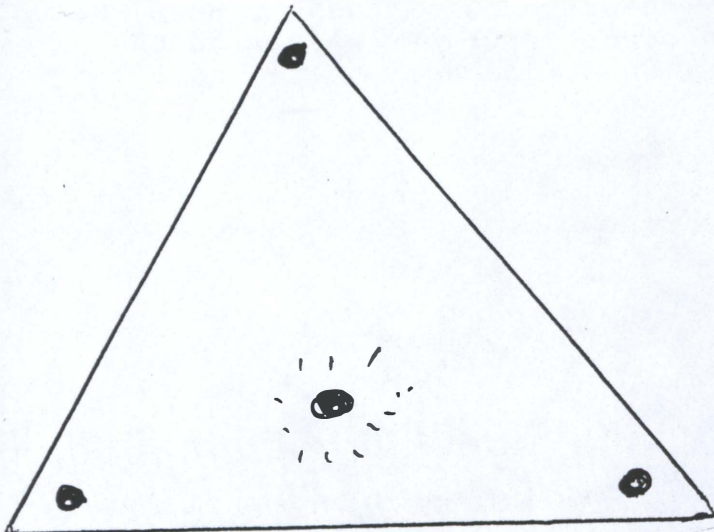
SCHOOLTEACHER FACED WITH A GEOMETRIC PUZZLE

It was 2345 (11.45pm) on Wednesday the 26th of April this year, when Miss Enid Fynes-Williams a language teacher in adult education, looked at her clock and decided that it was time to go to bed. As she entered her bedroom and walked over to the window to draw the curtains, when her attention was attracted by an illuminated aircraft of some type approaching in her direction.

Miss Fynes-Williams, who lives in Stenson Road, Derby, was accustomed to aircraft flying overhead on their approach to the East Midlands Airport, but this flying craft appeared to be unusual. It was approaching from an Easterly direction and heading West, the size of the object seemed black and huge as it approached her.

As it came closer she was able to make out the shape of a large black triangular craft, it had a white light on each corner and a red flashing light in an almost central position. As she watched, she heard a faint engine noise, but not like the usual jet aircraft.

The witness now had a clear view of the underside of this gigantic triangular craft as it "cruised" slowly overhead. The shape was quite sharply defined, no wings, no tail, just a large triangular shape. In all the whole experience lasted no more than ten seconds, but it was enough to arouse her curiosity, she thought "this was no normal aircraft!"



THREE WHITE LIGHTS -
ONE RED FLASHING LIGHT.



Miss Enid Fynes-Williams

In the midst of all the UFO activity the possibility of new Crop Circle designs about to be released upon us will be a welcome diversion from the rigours of pursuing extra-terrestrial space craft!

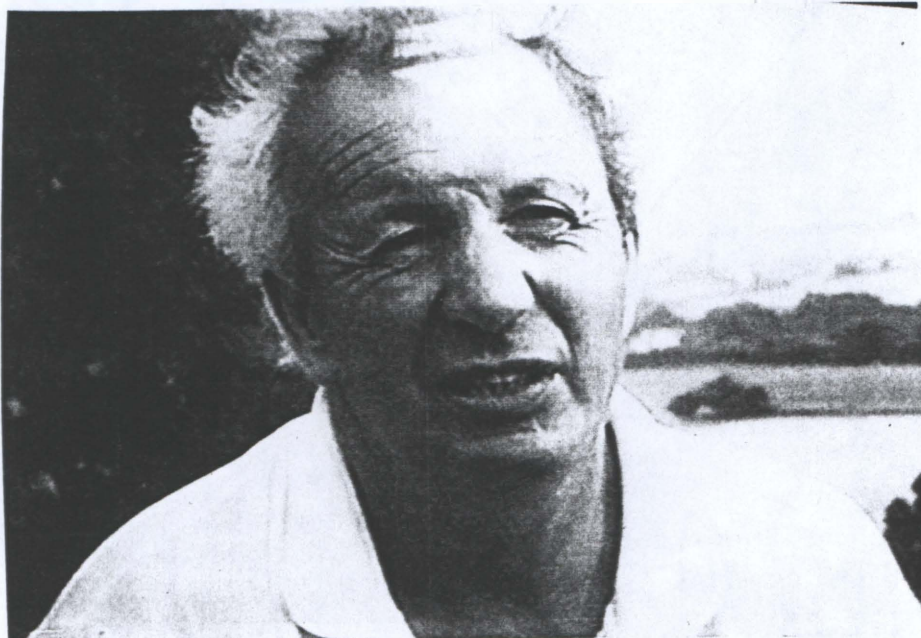
The new "Arthur C. Clarke's World Mysteries" series on Sky T.V., covered the subject of Crop Circles in one of its first instalments (April 95). Some interesting new witnesses were featured speaking of their past experiences. Dr George Terence Meaden also took part in the programme, still vainly trying to justify his theory of wind vortex's being the responsible culprit for the formation of Crop Circles.

Thanks to the investigative work of several PRA members, including your editor, the group succeeded in publishing a technical paper in 1991 (updated in 1993). This drew the conclusion that the likely cause of a 'natural' Crop Circle was a vortex of charged particles originating in the ionosphere, following magnetic flux lines to Earth. Arthur C. Clarke's new witnesses appear to confirm this theory!

Kathy Skin a schoolgirl in the 1930's remembers seeing a Crop Circle form in a field of corn in 1936 at Little Eversdew. "It was a thundery day and I was standing at the edge of a cornfield when I saw the stalks whirling around in the air. I ran over to where I had seen them flying about and there was a corn circle. I walked into it and as I did so I could feel the heat coming up through my sandals!"

The second witness Mr Tom Gwinnett of Lydney, explained how he saw a Crop Circle form at dusk. He was driving along a country road, when his ignition cut off and his headlights went out. He stepped out of his car and noticed small red sparks popping over the wheat in the adjoining field. Then he heard a humming sound and he saw the wheat whirling around as a Crop Circle formed.

Dr Meaden said that this vindicated his theory, but he conveniently omitted to explain how an ordinary whirlwind could affect a cars ignition and headlights (and heat up the soil!).



Crop Circle witness Mr Tom Gwinnett

TWO VISITORS HAVE A LONELY ROAD ENCOUNTER

Darren Collins is a member of the Southern Paranormal Investigations Group based in Hampshire. Darren, who lives in Portsmouth recently visited Derbyshire on holiday and during this time he called on the PRA in Derby (see page 1). On the night of May 1st 1995 Darren had an encounter with a "Flying Triangle"! He related the incident the following day:-

"I don't believe it, I honestly don't believe what happened the other night, I still keep running it through in my mind and I was up until 3am last night (2nd May), I just could not sleep."

"It was about quarter past eleven last night (May 1st), I had been with some friends to a place called Kings Newton and I was talking to them and they asked how I was getting back to Burton? I explained that I was going back through Melbourne and a little village called Ticknell. They explained that I could cut through a little lane and come out on the 514, which runs from Swarkestone to Ticknell."

"So I left and went on this route and I'd got to the junction with the 514. I'd seen an aircraft go over about a minute prior to the actual sighting and this had caught my attention and I was still looking around as I turned left at the "T" junction onto the 514. It was then that I saw these lights above a field, I thought what's that? I had been looking out of the driver's side window and I thought, I'm not going to miss this! So I pulled over to the side of the road and I got out of the car and left the door wide open with the car engine still running and I walked about a hundred yards up the road."

"It was stationary in the air, absolutely still! There were white lights on each corner, centre light red and flashing and I just could not believe it, I couldn't believe what I was seeing. No way was it an aircraft, because I had seen an aircraft go over previously and it was probably about 600 yards away from me and probably about 100/150 feet up in the air. Quite low and absolutely stationary, it could have been bolted to a post in the floor!"

("I didn't have a camera with me, I had left my photographic equipment behind and my mobile phone battery was flat so I had left that behind as well.")

"I looked at it, I just couldn't believe it and I stood in awe for about two minutes and then I don't know why, I started shouting. I was shouting 'come here, come over here, come this way'. I don't know whether that was coincidental but within about thirty seconds of me shouting, it moved slightly to the right and then it just 'took off', really accelerated and it disappeared from view within two to three seconds!"

"It was travelling 'flat face first, not point first' and there was not a sound. There was no one else around and the countryside was very very dark. It went off horizontally, towards Barrow-on-Trent, in that direction, it must have been going N.E."

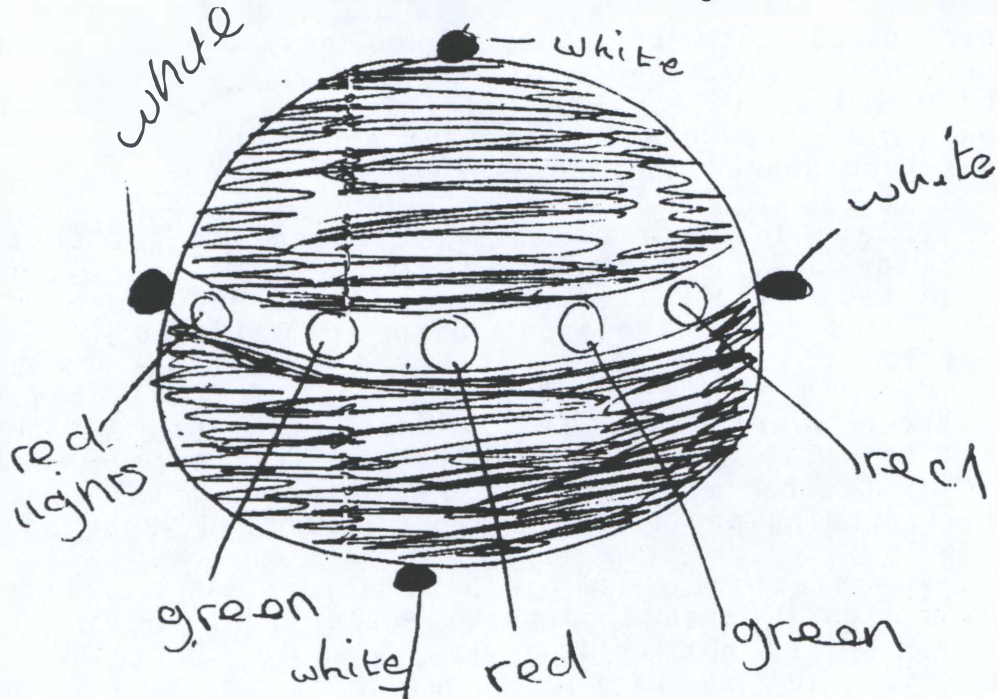
"I don't know how I can appear credible, because it is what I always wanted to happen, to be honest I can't take it all in. I know it was not a plane, it was definitely a triangle!"

STUDENT TERRIFIED BY COLOURED GLOBE

On the 24th March 95 student Miss Ruth Hutchinson was travelling in a car on the A52 heading towards Ashbourne. At about 8.30pm she saw a black ball with coloured lights approaching the car. The ball was observed for about fifteen minutes, during which time it came very close to the car.

The ball finally disappeared "into thin air" and the whole incident scared the witness (aged 14). The witness's sketch is shown below.

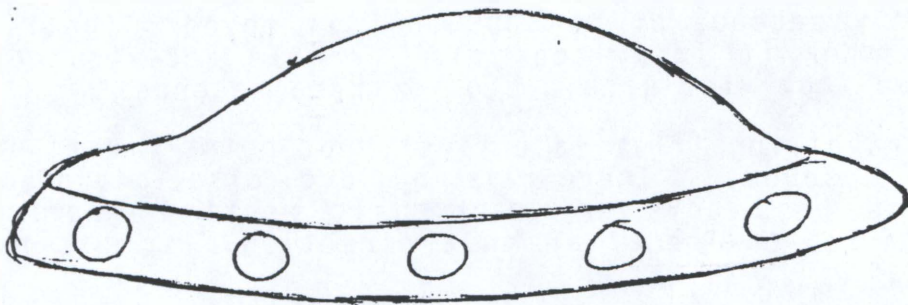
(Case 95/50 Investigator Peter Edwards)



XMAS EVE SAUCER

On the 24th of December 1994, a witness Mr CND was driving his car down Stenson Road, Sunnyhill, Derby (see also case page 5), when he saw a black dome shaped object, with five or six "headlight" type lights. The object was hovering, without any apparent sound and the witness observed it for 1½ to 2 minutes. He then parked his car and when he looked up it had gone.

(Case 94/19 Investigator Peter Edwards)



6.30pm

The Evening Sky

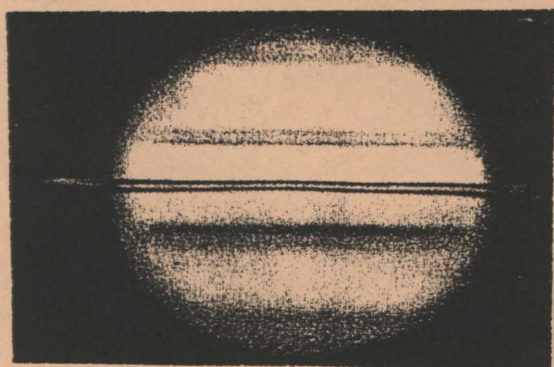
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Mercury stands high above the sunset horizon in the middle of May. Look west at dusk and do not miss this opportunity to observe Mercury, the closest planet to the Sun (36 million miles distance).

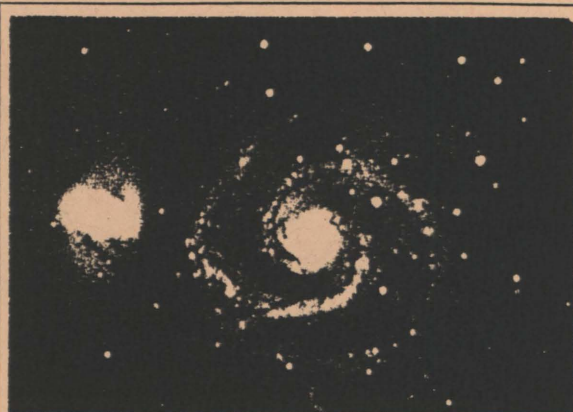
Jupiter and Mars are still visible from around mid-evening. Both are bright and a joy to see. Saturn and Venus emerge from the dawn twilight, shining steadily. If you get up around 4 am you are sure to catch them. Come on!

This month Saturn's rings turn edge on. The last time we observed this event from Earth was 15 years ago. Saturn orbits the Sun every 29.5 years. Twice during this period at each Saturnian equinox, the Sun crosses the planet's ring plane (Saturn is tilted by 27 degrees; remember the Earth is tilted by 23 degrees).

The last time the Sun crossed Saturn's equator was on March 3rd 1980 and will cross again on November the 19th 1995 remaining south of the equator until August 2009. Put more simply, a summertime on Saturn lasts for 7.5 years,



Saturn's rings, edge on



M51: The Whirlpool Galaxy

but it is not a great place to take a vacation as the temperature is still minus 170 degrees.

We live in a wondrous universe whose size we can hardly comprehend. Most of the luminosity in the universe comes from galaxies. We reside in the outer edge of a spiral arm in a galaxy: the Milky Way, which contains 4,000 million stars. Our nearest galactic neighbour is The Great Galaxy in Andromeda, roughly 3 times the size of our own galaxy (yes we are even small in galactic terms).

The universe is a violent place. The Milky Way will collide with Andromeda in some tens of billions of years from now. The Milky Way is currently ripping apart and eating up two smaller galaxies which orbit around us called the Magellanic Clouds (together, about one tenth the size of our galaxy).

Our life span is so very short and our daily experience so very limited that we can barely comprehend such macrocosmic events. We are humbled and astonished at the cosmos we inhabit, by its beauty, its size, its history, its awesome power and its magic.

Enjoy Your Evening Sky!

Barry Parkinson

'The Evening Sky' - P.O. Box 4002 - Milton Keynes - MK13 7ER - U.K.

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TALE ENDERS

EDDIE SHERWOOD will give a talk on "UFO's, Crop Circles & ET Contact" at the Central Library, Derby on 24th May at 7pm. Tickets £3.00

SOBEPS (Belgium) are still reporting extensive UFO activity in the April 95 issue of their magazine "Inforespace". This included a triangular craft with three white lights and two red lights near the 'nose', seen near Polleur, Verviers, on 10th October 1994. The craft also carried about a dozen small red and white lights in a central position underneath.

VICTOR J. KEAN (Berlin) is keeping us well informed of increased "Triangle" activity around Belgium.

SKYWATCH (Mablethorpe, Lincs.) are doing an excellent job in tracking "Triangles" flying in over the coast. March 15th latest report: two Delta craft were seen heading southwards along the coast. They showed a mass of red and white lights. They made no audible sound and were viewed for about a minute before being lost in cloud. Two minutes later a large ball of white light was seen travelling from the SW at tremendous speed.

EILEEN FLETCHER is doing an excellent job in translating Scandinavian UFO reports. Eileen is now editing "Trans-UFO" a series of translated stories. We hope to include a selection of her reports in a future issue of our newsletter.

ILKESTON, Derbys, was the scene of a 'buzzing' UFO recently. A Mrs Loreen Noble heard what she thought was a bee caught in the curtains in the early hours of 23rd April 95. When she got out of bed to investigate, she saw a brilliant white cigar shaped UFO over the rooftops. It was observed for about ten minutes and then shot up skywards.

EXTENSIVE UFO ACTIVITY LOCALLY precludes us from including any irrelevant articles in the newsletter. Primarily, our aim is to keep our members notified of UFO events in the area. There are several magazines with a wider scope, including "Flying Saucer Review" (subscription details from your editor).

NEXT MEETING

Will take place at the Stanley Club, Stanley Common, near Ilkeston (A609) at 8pm on Tuesday 23rd May. Guest speaker:-

MIKE NEWARK

The well known 'dowser' from Coventry, will give an audio/visual presentation on the "Crop Circles of 1994"

plus

A review of video interviews with "Flying Triangle" witnesses
Non-Members Welcome: Admission £1.00

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